

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

| 1 | 1. \ A configurable system for communicating via multiple communication |
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| 2 | channels of different media types comprising: |
| 3 | a plurality of channel drivers, each channel driver of the plurality of channel drivers |
| 4 | for communicating with a corresponding communication channel of a plurality |
| 5 | of communication channels, at least two of the plurality of communication |
| 6 | channels having different media types; |
| 7 | a plurality of commands, each command being associated with a channel driver of the |
| 8 | plurality of channel drivers; |
| 9 | instructions for providing a user interface for specifying an outbound communication |
| 10 | channel to perform an putbound command of the plurality of commands, the |
| 11 | user interface comprising a plurality of user interface objects, each user |
| 12 | interface object being associated with a command; |
| 13 | instructions for determining an outbound channel driver of the plurality of outbound |
| 14 | channel drivers to issue the outbound command to the outbound |
| 15 | communication channel; |
| 16 | instructions for sending the outbound command to the outbound channel driver for |
| 17 | issuing the outbound command to the outbound communication channel; |
| 18 | a database comprising: |
| 19 | a command table comprising a plurality of command records, each command |
| 20 | record representing a command of the plurality of commands; |
| 21 | a channel driver table comprising a plurality of channel driver records, each |
| 22 | channel driver record providing a location of a channel driver file |
| 23 | name for one of the plurality of channel drivers; and |
| 24 | a user interface object table comprising a plurality of usex interface object |
| 25 | records, each user interface object record corresponding to a command |
| 26 | record of the plurality of command records of the command table; |
| 27 | instructions for associating a command of the plurality of commands with a user |
| 28 | interface object of the user interface object table, wherein the activating the |
| 29 | user interface object issues the associated command. |
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